

Early Learning Centers



Howard County Recreation & Parks Early Learning Centers (ELC) provide a safe, nurturing, active and creative learning environment for each child. Children build skills for kindergarten (social/emotional development, reading/math readiness, fine/gross motor skills) and participate in hands-on activities including arts, crafts, science, nature, music, drama, multicultural and cooking. There are instructional and self-directed activities throughout the day. The programs are licensed by the Maryland State Department of Education, Office of Child Care and all actively participate in Healthy Howard Healthy Childcare. All staff members have experience and training specific to preschool, take continuing education classes annually and complete a criminal background check. Many are also credentialed through the State of Maryland.

2014-2015 Schedule & Pricing

Bushy Park Elementary School, 410-313-5499

Director: Teresa Ryan

3 yrs	9:30 AM-1:30 PM	M & W	\$247
4 yrs	9:30 AM-3:00 PM	M, W & F	\$494

Ducketts Lane Elementary School, 410-313-6053

Director: Kisha Foy

3 yrs	9:30 AM-1:30 PM	M & W	\$247
4 yrs	9:30 AM-3:00 PM	M, W & F	\$494

Fulton Elementary School, 410-880-5974

Director: Denise Nalls

3 yrs	9:30 AM-1:30 PM	T & Th	\$247
4 yrs	9:30 AM-3:00 PM	M, W & F	\$494

Roger Carter Community Center, 410-313-2749

Director: Kisha Foy

3 yrs	9:30 AM-3:00 PM	T, Th & F	\$494
4 yrs	9:30 AM-3:00 PM	T, Th & F	\$494

Triadelphia Ridge Elementary School, 410-313-5471

Director: Linda Hitzelberger

3 yrs	9:00-11:30 AM	M, W & Th	\$235
4 yrs	Noon-3:00 PM	M - Th	\$305

Veterans Elementary School, 410-313-1493

Director: Kellie Hendley

4 yrs	8:00 AM-4:00 PM	M - F	\$757
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Feel free to schedule a visit by calling the program director during regular program hours.



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All Early Learning Centers follow the same outline for activities but the arrangement may vary. Math and language rotate daily for the 3-year-old class, while the 4-year-old class receives them daily. Each center follows weekly themes and works on the following items monthly: letters, colors, shapes and values. Below is a sample of the daily prototype planner for Bushy Park, Ducketts Lane, Fulton, Roger Carter & Veterans. Age determination is September 1.

Sample Daily Schedule

Times	3 year olds	4 year olds
9:30-9:45 AM	Arrival/Welcome Fine Motor Skills Table Manipulative Quiet Centers	Arrival/Welcome Fine Motor Skills Table Manipulative Quiet Centers
9:45-10:00 AM	Circle Time/Announcements Calendar/Weather Songs/Story	Circle Time/Announcements Calendar/Weather Songs/Story
10:00-10:30 AM	Math/Language	Math
10:30-11:00 AM	Creative Expression Learning Centers	Language
11:00-11:30 AM	Science, Nature, Drama, Cooking, etc.	Workout Time Organized Game Gross Motor Skills
11:30 AM-Noon	Lunch	Lunch
Noon-12:45 PM	Rest Time	Rest Time
12:45-1:15 PM	Workout Time Organized Game Gross Motor Skills	Learning Centers
1:15-1:30 PM	Clean-up/Good byes	Creative Expression
1:30-2:00 PM		Organized Game
2:00-2:30 PM		Science, Nature, Drama, Cooking, etc.
2:30-3:00 PM		Snack Clean-up/Good byes

If you have any further questions about the Early Learning Centers, please feel free to contact Stephanie Wise, Recreation Supervisor at 410-313-4712.

For information about financial assistance, please call 410-313-4659.



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